Wilshire Heights Neighborhood Association

WINTER 2010

Newsletter

Neighborhood Meeting

Our next neighborhood meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday**, **April 7**, **at 7 p.m. in Rogers School cafeteria**. We have invited our new council member, Steve Kozachik, as a speaker. If he is unable to attend, we will have our new Ward 6 liaison instead. Here is a chance for you to meet your representative for the city of Tucson.

The city is working on using the drainways to create a citywide trail system. Our Arcadia Wash is part of this plan. An urban pathway would be created along the wash, eventually running from the Rillito River path to the walk/bikeway to our south that travels along Golf Links and Aviation into downtown. We will have a speaker at the meeting to present information about how this will impact our neighborhood.

IMPORTANT NOTE

The meeting is open to **ALL** residents of Wilshire Heights, regardless of whether they are dues-paying members or not. Please come and meet your neighbors and find out more about your neighborhood and its future.

If you are not currently a member and would like to join, please bring the membership slip from the last page and \$10 or a check for \$10 made out to "WHNA" to the meeting.

Election

A mail-in election was held in the fall. Five board seats were up for election.

The association board for 2010:

Ellen Brown
Carol Dupuis
Hal Tretbar
Mel Levine
Mary Sisson Eibs
Lendre Kearns
Amy Kelaher
Christina Leung
Dave Phillips
Kristin Quigley
Nicole Weiss

President Vice President Treasurer Secretary The Wilshire Heights Association Board has set bimonthly meetings, with the possibility of ad hoc meetings as the need arises.

The 2010 meetings will be held on

March 10 May 12 August 11 October 13

As the meeting place changes from month to month, please contact the secretary if you wish to attend. Contact information is available on the last page.

Brush and Bulky Pickup



Our next Brush and Bulky pickup is scheduled for the week of April 12. The fall pickup is slated for the week of October 11.

From time to time, notices are sent to the association e-mail from the city, Ward 6, and other municipal groups, notifying us of important meetings, deadlines, and requests for input. These notices are forwarded immediately to those who are on the WHNA e-mail list that the secretary maintains. If you would like to be included in this notification list, send an e-mail to whnasec@gmail.com with a request to join. Please be sure to add the association e-mail address to your address book to be sure the messages get through to you.

In recent weeks, these three notices arrived.

TRANSPORTATION

Learn how transportation dollars could be spent over the next 5 to 30 years on roadways, buses, aviation, bike, and pedestrian facilities. Pima Association of Governments invites you to review and comment on the following plans:

FY 2011-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)

For more information on either plan, go to www.PAGnet.org or call 792-1093.

Three public meetings have been scheduled:

Monday, March 8 Joyner Green Valley Library 10 - 12 am

Tuesday, March 9 Randolph Clubhouse, 600 S Alvernon Way 4:30 - 6:30 pm

Wednesday, March 10 Foothills Mall Food Court 4:30 - 6:30 pm

F-35s

Open meetings about the proposed changes at Davis-Monthan Air Base and TIA, concerning the F-35 project:

March 1, 2010 March 5, 2010

Sunnyside High School Foyer/Auditorium Roskruge Elementary School Auditorium

1725 E Bilby Road, Tucson 501 E 6th Street, Tucson

6:00 - 9:00 pm 6:00 - 9:00 pm

For additional information on the DM F-35 project, please visit the DM link at

http://www.dm.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123187221

For Operation Snowbird updates:

http://www.dm.af.mil/news/story.asp?id=123184369

To file a noise complaint:

http://www.dm.af.mil/shared/media/document/AFD-100104-036.pdf

FOCUS GROUP --- WATER REUSE

Dear residents of the Wilshire Heights Neighborhood Association,

I invite you to participate in a focus group discussion for a research project entitled "Public Attitudes toward Potable Water Reuse" being conducted by The Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy at The University of Arizona. The primary focus of this study is "reclaimed water." Reclaimed water is commonly defined as water used for beneficial purposes after advanced wastewater treatment. Using available wastewater more productively, through water reuse, reclamation, or recycling allows utilities to increase an otherwise fixed municipal water supply. The purpose of the focus group discussions is to explore the broad range of public attitudes toward supplementing tap water supplies with highly treated reclaimed water. Your point of view as a resident and a water customer is important to us, and as active members of your community this is an opportunity to let your voice be heard.

The dates of the focus group discussions are Wednesday, March 3rd and Thursday, March 4th, the discussion will start at 6:00 pm and will last no longer than two hours. We hope to have a broad base of opinions for the focus group discussion so as part of the selection process we ask that you complete a short survey first. As a token of our appreciation we are able to provide some compensation for your contribution. If you are interested in participating in this study please send an e-mail to: HYPERLINK "mailto:WaterReuseStudy@gmail.com" WaterReuseStudy@gmail.com or call (520) 626-6335.

Thank you for your consideration, Kerri Jean Ormerod Study Coordinator

CHANGES MADE TO HOW PUBLIC CONTACTS CITY OFFICIALS, STAFF

Changes have been made in the way that the public contacts City elected officials and City staff.

Those who wish to e-mail or telephone the Mayor and City Council may do so by accessing individual office e-mail addresses and telephone numbers directly from the web page at http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/mcc

The page also has links to each official's web page.

Those who wish to contact City departments via e-mail may access departmental e-mail addresses at http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/departments

There are also links to each department and office web pages for the public to locate appropriate telephone numbers.

Because understanding who has jurisdiction for certain government or agency services can be confusing, City staff have also made significant changes to the website to help people find the information they need.

The City of Tucson has a web page at

http://cms3.tucsonaz.gov/infoguide

with an alphabetical listing of Tucson-area organizations and City and other government services as well as a page with information and links for the most frequently received questions.

HOUSEHOLD WATER CONSERVATION SURVEY

Adam Springer, doctoral student in the School of Natural Resources, is circulating a survey to examine the effect of drought on household waterconservation in Tucson. Questions in the survey examine changes in conservation practices during the hottest and driest decade in Tucson's recorded history: between 2000 and 2009.

This information will be used toexamine the influence of drought on household water conservation as well as the influence of public policy, social factors, media, and demographic factors.

The survey consists of 18 questions and takes 5 to 10 minutes to complete. You can access the survey online at: http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BJCLVQM

For more information contact Adam Springer at: 520-626-7679 or adams@email.arizona.edu Thank you for your participation!

| Phone Numbers | |
|---|-----------------|
| Ward 6 | 791-4601 |
| Gas Emergency/Leak | 889-1888 |
| TPD Emergencies Non-emergencies | 911 791-4444 |
| Mayor/Council Comment Line (gives callers a menu to reach the indicity elected officials) | |



Wilshire Heights

Dated Material

MEMBERSHIP FORM

| Name _ | | | |
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| Address | | | |
| E-mail (opt | ional) | | |

Bring it to the meeting with \$10 cash or check, or mail to: H Tretbar 401 S Brighton Lane Tucson, AZ 85711

Wilshire Heights Neighborhood Association can be contacted by calling the secretary: Mel Levine 512-0371 e-mailing the secretary: whnasec@gmail.com mailing: WHNA, c/o 5847 E South Wilshire Dr., Tucson

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